

AN ORDINANCE BY
COUNCILMEMBER DEBI STARNES

TO AMEND CHAPTER 106, ARTICLE II, SECTION 106-59 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO PROVIDE DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS FROM CERTAIN VENUES FOR TICKET BROKERS AND OTHERS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recently adopted laws which became effective on July 1, 2001, governing persons who resell tickets to athletic contests and entertainment events.

WHEREAS, the new state laws allow a municipality to provide certain distance requirements for certain persons who resell tickets to athletic contests and entertainment events at large venues.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta wishes to exercise such authority for the safety and welfare of its citizens and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:

Section 1. That Section 106-59 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta be amended to delete the current language and to insert in lieu thereof the following language:

(a) As used in this Section, the terms:

Person means, consistent with O.C.G.A. §43-4B-1(12), any individual, partnership, firm, association, corporation, or combination of individuals of whatever form or character.

Ticket broker means, consistent with O.C.G.A. §43-4B-1(19), any person who is involved in the business of reselling tickets of admission to athletic contests, concerts, theater performances, amusements, exhibitions, or other entertainment events to which the general public is admitted and who charges a premium in excess of the price of the ticket. The term ticket broker shall not include the owner, operator, lessee, or tenant of the property in which an athletic contest or entertainment event is being held or the sponsor of such a contest or event or the authorized ticket agent of such persons.

Exhibition means, consistent with O.C.G.A. §43-4B-1(5), a contest where the participants engage in the use of boxing skills and techniques and where the objective is to display such skills and techniques without striving to win.

(b) In accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-4B-30, it shall be unlawful for any ticket broker or person who is the original purchaser for personal use of one or more tickets to resell or offer for resale one or more tickets to any athletic contest and entertainment event within 2,700 feet of a venue which seats or admits 15,000 or more persons.

(c) Any person violating any of the provisions of this Section shall be punished as provided in Section 1-8.

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts thereof which conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

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